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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

BIG 3 LLC, et al.,
Plaintiffs,
v.
AHMED AL-RUMAIHI, et al.,
Defendants.

CASE NO. 2:18-CV-3466 DMG
(SKX)

Assigned for all purposes to
Hon. Dolly M. Gee

**SPECIALLY-APPEARING NON-
PARTY H.E. AHMED AL-
RUMAIHI'S NOTICE OF NEW
DEVELOPMENTS**

1 TO THE COURT, ALL PARTIES, AND ATTORNEYS OF RECORD:

2 PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Specially-Appearing Non-Party H.E. Ahmed
3 Al-Rumaihi (“H.E. Al-Rumaihi”), by and through his counsel, respectfully submits
4 this Notice to apprise the Court of recent developments that have occurred since
5 briefing was completed on H.E. Al-Rumaihi’s and Defendant Ayman Sabi’s Motion
6 to Strike (“Dkt. No. 8”) and Plaintiffs Big3 LLC’s, O’Shea Jackson’s, and Jeff
7 Kwatinetz’s (“Plaintiffs”) Motion for Jurisdictional Discovery (Dkt. No. 10). These
8 new developments preceded the November 29, 2018 Order of this Court (the “Anti-
9 SLAPP Order”) which, *inter alia*, granted the Motion to Strike in part, dismissed all
10 claims against H.E. Al-Rumaihi, and foreclosed Plaintiffs from asserting new claims.
11 Dkt. No. 57 at 13. While H.E. Al-Rumaihi is no longer a party to this action as a
12 result of the Anti-SLAPP Order, H.E. Al-Rumaihi believes it is nonetheless prudent
13 to apprise the Court of these new developments, which preclude Plaintiffs from any
14 further efforts to involve H.E. Al-Rumaihi in this action.

15 On or about August 27th of this year, H.E. Al-Rumaihi received a diplomatic
16 appointment as the Commercial Attaché for Investment for the State of Qatar, which
17 carries the rank of ambassador and the title of His Excellency (“H.E.”). On
18 September 7, 2018, the Qatari Embassy formally notified the United States
19 Department of State (“State Department”) of H.E. Al-Rumaihi’s diplomatic posting
20 via a Notification of Appointment through the Office of Foreign Mission e-Gov
21 system. The State Department thereafter formally recognized H.E. Al-Rumaihi’s
22 diplomatic status, as reflected by his Diplomatic Identification Card, issued on or
23 about September 13, 2018. The State Department further identified H.E. Al-Rumaihi
24 as an accredited diplomat entitled to immunity under the Vienna Convention on
25 Diplomatic Relations (“Vienna Convention”) on its most recently published
26 Diplomatic List.¹ Under the well-settled doctrine of diplomatic immunity, H.E. Al-

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28 ¹ <https://www.state.gov/documents/organization/287365.pdf> at 96.

1 Rumaihi has full immunity from all aspects of civil litigation. See Vienna
2 Convention, Articles 31.1 & 31.2.

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4 Dated: December 4, 2018 JONES DAY

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6 By: /s/ Brian D. Hershman
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